

What is claimed is:

1. An articulation sleeve for a clamp, the clamp comprised of a clamp strip having ends formed into closed loops, wherein the loops surround one of the articulation sleeves, respectively, wherein at least one clamping screw, extending through slots in the loops and through the articulation sleeves is rotatably supported during clamping with a screw head on a first one of the articulation sleeves, wherein a nut that is screwed onto a threaded shaft of the clamping screw and has a polygonal peripheral contour is supported on a second one of the articulation sleeves and secured against rotation because of a special shaping of the articulation sleeve; wherein the articulation sleeve comprises:

a sleeve member having coaxial holes provided diametrically opposed in the sleeve member of the articulation sleeve, wherein the at least one clamping screw passes through the coaxial holes;

wherein the opposed coaxial holes are identical and have a circular shape;

wherein a diameter of the circular holes matches nearly a shaft diameter of the at least one clamping screw;

wherein the sleeve member of the articulation sleeve is compressed in a direction transverse to a longitudinal axis of the sleeve member adjacent to the

coaxial holes, at least within an area of a polygonal peripheral contour of the nut and a peripheral contour of the screw head;

wherein the sleeve member of the articulation sleeve has a wall area, adjoining the polygonal peripheral contour of the nut in the mounted state of the articulation sleeve, of the clamping screw, and of the nut, wherein the wall area is deformed to match the polygonal peripheral contour of the nut.

2. The articulation sleeve according to claim 1, wherein the polygonal peripheral contour of the nut is formed by a polygonal section of the nut having a coaxial cylindrical projection, wherein the projection has an outer diameter that is smaller than a diameter of a circumcircle of the polygonal section and wherein the projection is inserted with press fit into the coaxial holes.

3. The articulation sleeve according to claim 2, wherein the projection has an external securing rib extending peripherally and tapering toward a free end of the projection, wherein the securing rib is arranged at least in one of the coaxial holes with press fit.

4. The articulation sleeve according to claim 3, wherein the securing rib has a knurled surface.

5. The articulation sleeve according to claim 2,
wherein the nut has a thread extending into the projection.

6. The articulation sleeve according to claim 1,
wherein the sleeve member of the articulation sleeve is
formed of a sheet metal strip and wherein abutting
longitudinal edges of the sheet metal strip are connected by
welding.

7. The articulation sleeve according to claim 1,
wherein the sleeve member of the articulation sleeve is a
pipe section that is not welded.